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WATER COMPANY OFFICIALS HERE TO MEET COUNCIL

Matters Pertaining to Settlement of Suits Discussed By Attorneys Officials and Members of Councilmanic Body.

A MEETING ON FRIDAY

City Fathers Will Have Attorneys Present To Make Outline of Agreement.

There were no startling developments at the meeting of the Charleroi Water company with the borough of Charleroi council last night but the way was paved for a possible reconciliation of the suits now on between the company and the borough and three representative citizens versus the company. Matters pertaining to the general service, the claims of each, and the question of a filteration system were fully discussed. The meeting occupied about two hours. Those present from the Water company were president T. S. Mellon, Harry Pollock general superintendent; Chief Engineer Chester, and their attorney Robert Irwin of Washington. All the councilmen were present except Mr. Piersol, who was out of town. D. M. McCloskey represented the council. Council will meet on Friday evening to prepare the agreements to be signed by the company. If the latter will not agree to the conditions therein it will mean the court trial.

One of the Water company's contentions was that the borough had been using water illegally in the flushing of the automatic flush tanks. They desired that there be a minimum rate for the borough. They also desired an extension of 9 or 10 years in the franchise, and more fire plugs installed.

Mr. McCloskey stated for the borough that there had been some mistake made in the matter of the flushing of the tanks in question, the company having conceived the wrong opinion of the amount of water that was used daily in this operation. He said that if the borough could secure pure water it would be easy to agree upon a minimum rate for this, as it would not take near as much. The company desired that Charleroi install a matter of some 25 or more fire plugs, and that North Charleroi have some new ones also. The latter will need but two and this borough but 10 or 12. The extension of the franchise was agreed upon provided all other matters could be satisfactorily arranged.

The real idea of the company is to raise their revenue in the borough and if they cannot do it with the private consumers, which is manifestly impossible, they then seek to have the town pay more for the use of the water. For this they are willing to install a filteration plant and all the necessaries which go with it at a cost of approximately $100,000.

The general idea of the borough is to secure good clean water and the proper service. This they must and will have. It will be absolutely necessary for the company to either erect a filteration plant, or fight the matter through court and very likely lose their franchise. The State Board of Health it is stated is empowered to take up these matters and secure good water for the people.

The matter of the "Gridiron system," by which a towns fire protection is largely judged was taken up at the suggestion of Councilman Frye. On account of the lack of this there is an excess charged the people of Charleroi on their insurance. Another matter which claimed considerable interest was that of the water gates which was brought up by President Jones. The company admitted that these were not as they should be. They are for the purpose of the shutting off of the water in a part of town without stopping the entire amount.

If the conditions should be accepted by the company and agreements signed, according to the chief engineers statement, it would require until next November for the starting of the plant. Mr. McCloskey asked if in the meantime the citizens would be compelled to pay the usual rates for the dirty, filthy stuff, that comes through the hydrants, and was told that they would. The matter will be decided later possibly.

Joseph Goldisart is transacting business today in Pittsburg.

Mrs M. R. Stewart is spending the day in Pittsburg.

COLD WAVE HAS ARRIVED ALLRIGHT

Br-r-r-r! Get out your mittens and your tibbets, folks, for it's going to be colder than—well, colder than it was last night. Yep, it's going to be so cold that maybe the mercury will be kicking out the bottom of the thermometer tube, and that's goin' some. It started in last night, when the elusive mercury began to crawl down into the bulb, and at 9 o'clock the thermometer registered 14, with a prospect of getting to that point where it commences to number backward.

EPIDEMIC FEARED AT SCENERY HILL

Scenery Hill, Jan. 7.—The Fairbanks school, a short distance from this place, was closed today by order of the schoolboard of the township. The residents of this section and the school board fear a scourge of diphtheria as the 8-year-old child of Mr and Mrs. Perry Smith, developed a severe case of the dreaded disease this morning. The child has been ill for several days but attended school.

MAKING CANVASS FOR DIRECTORY

The Pittsburg Directory company of Monessen, of which F. M. French is the manager have begun the work of the making of an advertising and subscription directory. The work was begun this morning and a house to house canvass being made.

Four men are now at work in this place. Every resident is requested to give accurate and full information regarding all the members of their family and answer any questions readily that the representatives may ask. The work will be completed by the first of March it is thought.

A directory is being compiled on Monessen, Belle Vernon and Charleroi. The work in the former two towns has been completed and that of Charleroi is now being done.

MAKING SEARCH FOR YOUTH OF BENTLEYVILLE WHO DISAPPEARED

The strange disappearance of William Sheleritis, 13-year-old son of John Sheleritis, a Lithuanian miner of Bentleyville from his home on December 26, has caused a great deal of uneasiness to the boy's parents as a search has so far failed to reveal his whereabouts. Mr. Sheleritis has appealed to the officers in all of the nearby towns for aid and has offered a reward for information leading to the boy's discovery.

A few days before the boy's disappearance he confided to William Suler, a boy of his own age, that he intended to leave home and seek work with a farmer residing near Charleroi. A search at Charleroi revealed the fact that the boy had sought shelter in the police station one night. Since that time nothing has been heard of the lad.

When he left home he wore a red and blue sweater, blue over pants and a wool cap. He is of rather heavy build, has light hair, and speaks good English.

MONONGAHELA MAN PULLS OFF DISAPPEARANCE STUNT

Friends of Jens Clausen, superintendent of the Capell Fan and Engineering company, are very solicitous, owing to his disappearance, having been absent from his home in Monongahela since last Wednesday, December 30.

Clauser is described as being 24 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches in height, weight about 150 pounds and light complexion. When he left he wore a black suit, black overcoat and black stiff hat. He also wore nose glasses.

When he left he took with him a number of tools and his friends believe he will be found in some steel works. He is a mechanical engineer by occupation, and was rated as a very skillful mechanic.

Mr. Clausen with his wife and two children came to Monongahela from McKeesport about three months ago, their home having formerly been in Harrisburg.

Relatives fear his mind is temporarily deranged, as his speech and actions before leaving would indicate. Any information as to his whereabouts will be gladly recieved. His brother is here from Harrisburg assisting in the search for the missing man.

ATTACK IS MADE ON PITTSBURG EDITOR

A Charleroi man, "Mike" Johns, 37 years of age is charged with the assaulting of Carlo Tresca, editor of the La Plebe the Italian Socialist paper at Pittsburg yesterday afternoon. The man was arrested. He had on his person $3 in money, a penknife and a silver watch. The editor was walking along Webster avenue, when it is stated that Johns stepped up beside him and slashed him with a razor. Johns then ran Tresca screamed "I'm cut," and a policeman appeared. He caught Johns. No cause is known for the attack. Tresca is badly injured but will live.

M'KEESPORT TEAM DEFEATS COLONIALS

The E. L. Winkelman duck pin team of McKeesport defeated the Colonial team in a match game on the Colonial alleys last night. J. Jones had high score with 109 and Freeman high average with 94 2-3. Score:

Winkleman.			
Freeman	96	102	86
Devans	92	78	81
Murphy	87	81	92
Myers	86	97	87
Osborne	86	93	94
	447	452	440
Colonials.			
Davis	92	85	85
Briggs	86	95	90
Irose	91	80	
J. Jones	81	84	109
Kelly	75		
Wolfe		77	
Jack			73
McHale			89
	423	421	446

Douglas Extends Time

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Call for further information or write to the Douglas Business College, Charleroi, Pa. 125t1

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church will hold a box social at the home of Mr and Mrs. Benjamin Wilson, 311 Fallowfield avenue on Friday night. All the ladies are requested to bring a box filled with luncheon for two. Admision 10 cents. 125t2

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS BY SOCIETY

Last evening's meeting of Branch No. 782 of the L. C. B. A. was a memorable one to the members, who attended in large numbers. After the regular order of business and installation of officers all present proceeded to have a jolly time. Vocal and instrumental music and dancing were the diversions.

The committee in charge of the lunch deserves great credit, not only for its sumptuousness, but also for the able manner in which it was served.

The ladies again sprung an agreeable surprise on their president, Miss Annie M. Sullivan, by presenting her with a most beautiful sterling silver dresser set.

The presentation was made by Mrs. John Mains, and Miss Sullivan thanked the ladies for their kind appreciation.

This society, which is composed exclusively of Catholic women, ranks among the largest in the valley. They expect to attain a membership of two hundred by the end of this year.

A contest has been started for members, with Mrs. P. Connelly and Mrs. C. Finkbeiner as leaders.

North Charleroi Council in Session

Council met in regular session. President Watson in chair. Members present were, Woodward, Gaskill, Watson, Schaffer, E. Crabb, Jacobs and C. Crabb. Bills amounting to $167 78 were ordered paid.

The resignation of W. J. Dunham as secretary of the Board of Health was tendered, but action was withheld pending a joint committee meeting of Council and the Board of Health.

The street committee was authorized to locate a fire plug on Highland avenue.

Mrs. Mary Carroll, of McKeesport, and daughter, Mrs. James Collins, of Speers, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Carroll's sister, Mrs. John Shanton of Charleroi, today.

MONONGAHELA CITIZENS RETAIN AN ATTORNEY

Will Enter into Litigation in Course of Week or So With the Monongahela Water Company---Have Strong Claims.

SIMILAR TO CHARLEROI

Case Possesses Many of the Features of the Local Affair.

A case bearing some of the same features as that in Charleroi is that of Monongahela citizens who are up in arms against the water company of that place. Last evening a meeting of citizens were held in that place and an attorney was retained for the purpose of bringing suit and preparing a case against the company. The claims of the people are that they are not getting what they are paying for in the way of water, and are having very poor service. The water is in the same condition of that Charleroi people are compelled to use.

Soon after the explosion at the water works at Monongahela a committee of five citizens was appointed to see what could be done to secure better water and this is the result.

Mr. T. F. Birch of Washington was the attorney retained. A communication was read from him, in which he stated that he had reviewed the evidence on the side of Monongahela and that they were justified in entering into litigation. It is probable that in the course of a week there will be something done in this matter.

HAVE FINISHED UP WORK HERE

A. C. Griffiths and assistants have just finished one of the most unique and inexpensive advertising mediums, in the form of Business Men's and Telephone Directory, that Charleroi has seen for some time. The card is very neaty arranged with hand painted floral designs and is very ornamental as well as useful to Telephone subscribers Business men should take notice of this for their spring and summer advertising. He expects to place the same in Monongahela, Monessen, Brownsville and Donora.

CAROTHERS BACK FROM HARRISBURG

Assemblyman C. E. Carothers is home from Harrisburg, where he and C. A. Bentley and J. B. Holland assumed their duties as members of the lower house of the legislature Tuesday.

Mr. Carothers stated that the election of Johon F. Cox as speaker of the house was accomplished with the greatest harmony and good feeling prevailing, the opposition of which certain newspapers talked not materializing. Many members who had been credited with being against Assemblyman Cox for presiding officer declared that they had never had any intention of opposing the action of the party caucus.

SILVER DOLLARS ARE GIVEN AWAY

Mr. Robert Bickerton of 716 Meadow avenue, was the lucky person on December 30th drawing the three silver dollars at the unveiling of the clock in Louis Beigel's shoe store window on McKean avenue.

The clock stopped at 1-2-29. Mr. Bickerton holding time card 12-34 41, the nearest present.

Last night at the unveiling of the clock it showed that it stopped at 12-59-48 Mrs. Chas. Coller of Lookout avenue held time card 12-34-59 the nearest present and therefore received the cash prize of $3.00.

The next unveiling of clock takes place on Wednesday next January 11th, at 7:30 p. m. sharp. Be on hand as you may be the lucky one. All time cards are good until January 20th when it closes with a $5.00 gift, $3.00 to nearest and $2.00 the next nearest.

ECHO OF FAYETTE CITY FIRE IN COURT

The Fayette City fire played a prominent part in one case tried at December term and an echo was heard in the Fayette county court at Uniontown when Attorney D. W. McDonald made a motion that John D. Lindy of Fayette city be relieved of the payment of half the loss which a jury directed that he pay in the case he brought against John Brezzon charged with selling liquor. The costs amount to $101 and the matter is now up to the court for disposition.

COAL DEAL IN GREENE CLOSED

Waynesburg, Jan. 7.—A coal deal has been closed whereby J. V. Thompson, of Uniontown, came into possession of 301 acres of coal situated on Muddy Creek, Cumberland township. The price paid was $300 per acre.

The deal includes the coal underlying the farm of W. K. Scott which contains 160 acres and the farm of R. L. Scott which contains 141 acres. The deal was made by Columbus Scott, of East Waynesburg.

The farms lie on the road leading from Waynesburg to Carmichaels, a short distance above Khedive.

Notice of Meeting.

Regular meeting tonight, Court No. 41, Tribe of Ben Hur. Installation of officers. State Manager T. H. Russell is expected to be present. Short program. All members are urged to attend. The officers-elect are especially desired to be present. 125t1

Will Hold Box Social.

The Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church are arranging for a box social to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Wilson of 311 Fallowfield avenue on Friday evening. A good time is anticipated for all those who attend.

Mrs. L. Beigel is in Pittsburg today visiting friends.

J. K. Tener, Pres. S. A. Walton, Vice Pres. R. H. Rush, Cashier.

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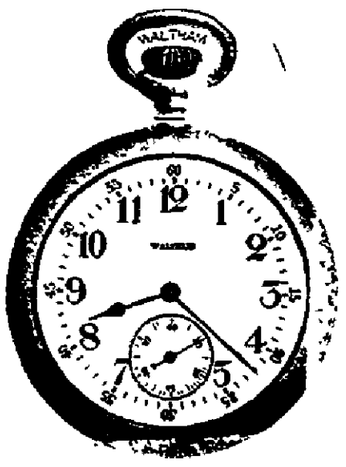

New Year Opportunities

We prepared for Christmas buying very liberally. Our sales were very large, but we find ourselves with a large stock of Ladies' Watches and Silver Mounted Toilet Articles. The watches are good works in handsome cases; the toilet articles would grace any woman's dressing table. But we have put very inviting prices on them all—prices that should invite your immediate attention and will secure your approval the moment you look at the articles and note the new prices.

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Jan. 7 In History.

1718—General Israel Putnam born in Danvers, Mass.; died 1790. Putnam won laurels as a gallant soldier before he became "Old Put" of the Revolutionists. After ten years of service, filled with adventure, he returned home with the rank of colonel. He joined the "Sons of Liberty" in Connecticut and was among the first to march against the invaders. Connecticut gave him command of all her forces.

1768—Joseph Bonaparte, eldest brother of Napoleon, king of Naples and Spain, born; died 1844.

1892—Tewfik Pasha, khedive of Egypt, died; born 1852.

1902—Baron Jean de Block, author of "The War of the Future," the book which led to the peace congress of 1899, died; born 1843.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 4:15, rises 7:24, moon rises 5:52 p. m.; 5 p. m., planet Uranus in conjunction with the sun, passing from east to west and thus changing from evening to morning star.

Compromise?

The borough of Charleroi while willing to settle the differences between them, and the Water company are not overly anxious, and have no reason to be. The officials of the company see plainly that they are "up against it," and are putting up a stupendous bluff, in an effort to secure rights." They are willing to install a filteration plant because they know they will have to sooner or later, if they so do the State Board of Health will get after them. The officials who were here last night were made to back down on many of their statements by Solicitor McCloskey, and the laugh was on them time and time again. The company stood for custom, and reiterated that they were merely following the precedent set by other similar bodies, evidently in their efforts forgetting the old axiom that "many wrongs does not make a right." If other companies have done the things that the Charleroi Water company is charged with doing and refused the doing of a similar number of things, then there is little doubt but that they are either out of business or fighting battles with their consumers, which will end in the same thing.

It is the desire of the company to have the franchise extended 9 or 10 years. That is allright, but we must absolutely have good service during that period, and the filteration plant must be in good working order. It was stated that it would take until next November to get the plant in readiness for operation. During that time will the people have to pay the usual rates for the dirty stuff? We hope not, for it is an injustice to even ask them. If we are not mistaken the State Board of Health would have something to say in this case also.

While it is stated that the company and the borough will likely compromise at the next meeting, there are some doubts of it for they are still fat apart, themselves probably not realizing how far. There are a number of things that have not been touched on yet and if satisfactory arrangements can be made on these then it is possible for a compromise to be effected but not until that time.

National Forests Returns to States.

During the last fiscal year ending June 30, the United States Forest Service issued to settlers in the neighborhood of National Forest in western states over 30,000 "free use" permits, under which the settlers receives free about 264,000 cords of fire wood, posts, poles and sawlogs, worth $169,320, or about 64 cents per cord in the forest—a low valuation.

Besides this, the different states received for school and road purposes 25 per cent of the income from the National Forests amounting last year to $447,064. The direct return to the states in lieu of taxes on the 147 million acres, the estimated area of unpatented land in the National Forests, amounted then in the last year to $616,384 in cash and "free use" timber.

In 1907, the total of "free use" material and money paid over amounted to about $253,409. The increase of the amount given to the state from 10 per cent to 25 per cent of course is largely responsible for the large returns in 1908, but even had this percentage not been changed a good increase would have been shown, despite the demoralization of the lumber business caused by the financial flurry. In fact, this increase may be looked for up to many times the present amount as the demand for timber increases and the forests are developed more and more.

Electric Sparks

Arxious investigation in the vicinity of Lincoln, Neb., fails to disclose that William Jennings Bryan has sworn off from anything.

Congress has power to change the date of its meeting and a bill pends making the date March 4 next. It has also been discovered that an old law so provided and three Congresses so met after 1867.

In China, also, it is noted that military commanders must be in fine physical conditions and wholly free from rheumatism—especially if they are innovating enough to make offensive agitation for reform.

William Randolph Hearst is the champion political acrobat of the age

After all, perhaps, we have made some progress in righteousness. Those six honest councilmen out of 86 crooks in Pittsburg would have made work comparatively easy for Diogenes, who was so long looking for even one honest man.

It is announced that Messina and Reggio will be rebuilt, but the work of upbuilding will possibly be delayed until the down-falling has ceased.

A Rivers and Harbors bill at this session of Congress is in doubt, but it must come in the next. The question is one which gathers momentum as it goes.

Greensburg has inaugurated a suburban movement with a view of getting its 18,000 population united in a city. The importance of getting proper credit in the census report is beginning to be better understood.

The fellow who lives in an attic isn't the one who complains of high living.

Many a girl says she doesn't know how to take a fellow even before he asks her.

The fact that virtue is its own reward is what makes some people good for nothing.

When a fellow with a peppery temper is assaulted he ought to be pretty well seasoned.

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?"

"I'm going to sneeze, kind sir," she said.

"Tell me what at, my pretty maid."

"Atchoo! Atchoo!" was all she said.

We know a few men who, were they to divide three mouthfuls of food between a fellow sufferer and themselves, would eat one first for fear the division would not come out even.

Theodore Burton, of Ohio, is scheduled to learn that the time to accept a cabinet portfolio is when it is offered to him.

The best way to destroy the enemies of the Panama Canal's digging progress is to "keep on with the digging."

The United States soldier who retired with savings amounting to over $13,000 from his pay should write a book. His advice on him to put a ide a competence out of a small income would be eminently practical.

Another precedent is going to be shattered. No president-elect of the United States has ever made a trip to Panama.

The much heralded cold wave is here. We don't know much about the wave part but we certainly realize that it is rather cold.

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Special Sale
Evening Slippers

The many social functions of the holidays have created an unusual demand for Fine Evening Slippers.

WE MAKE TWO SPECIAL OFFERINGS FOR THIS WEEK

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This sale will be on all this week; come early and get first choice.

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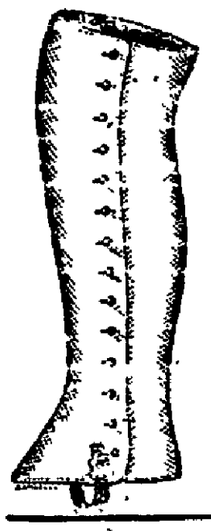

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SPECIAL – Men's Rubbers–first quality. Regular 75c and 85c Rubbers. Our special **49c**

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Misses' Vici Kid and Dull Finish button or lace. Regular $1.50 shoe. Our special **95c**

Misses' Storm Rubbers first quality. Sizes 11 1-2 to 2. Regular 50c Rubbers. Our special **29c a Pair**

Ladies' $1.50 to $2 in plain toe and patent tips. All sizes **95c a Pair**

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Sample Shoe Store
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THE INNOCENT FOX.

Blamed For Offenses Committed by His Wicked Cousins.

We are often told of the fox as a destroyer of grouse, but I should like to hear the story of some eyewitnesses as to his work in this direction. It is very easy to find fox tracks about the remains of a bird and then say a fox did it. I believe that many of the offenses laid at his door are committed by weasels, mink and wildcats, or lynx.

During a part of the year I have known foxes to spend a part of each day digging among potato hills in a retired hollow for white grubs or mice in the adjoining fields and to return to the mountain at nightfall, passing a farm which was almost covered with young poultry out for grasshoppers. From an experience of about ten years in a locality where foxes abound I am convinced that this animal destroys but few, if any, chickens. Our trouble there was, first of all, hawks, then skunks, owls and raccoons. The fox never invaded the chicken coops or broke up the sitting turkeys out at the base of the mountain. Of course in winter a fox may sometimes trap a grouse in the snow at night, but who has ever seen a fox actually catch a grouse? Come, now, brothers of the forest, be honest and own up. I would be glad to learn how the fox does the trick, if any one has seen it done.—Forest and Stream.

THE PERSONAL EQUATION.

It Plays a Very Large Part in Success in Business.

If you stop for a moment to analyze success in business you will see it comes through contact with people. It is all hinged upon the manner of your contact. On every side you are surrounded by a multitude of persons, in every one of whom there exists a potential force that may be exerted, at one time or another, to add to your success. The oftener you cause that force to be exerted the faster your business will grow. You can attract these individual forces if you choose and get the most from them, or you can repel them and suffer actual damage from having come in contact with them, or you may take a middle course, as many business men do, and drift along in a purely negative manner.

Looking at business in this light, it is apparent that the underlying element which contributes most to the success of any undertaking and to business in the aggregate is the art of finding the vital points of human contact that will set in motion these forces. The personal element must be stamped upon your business.—Edward Payson Hatch in System.

Panama Mosquitoes.

A visitor to the canal zone of Panama can have the privilege of an introduction to not less than eighty-three species of mosquitoes, thirty of them found nowhere else. Fortunately they do not all bite, and the contagion of yellow fever is carried by only one of them. Certain genera, technically called megarhinus, psorophora and iutzia, are found, which instead of spreading any disease hostile to men wage war on their weaker cousins and at times even on their brothers and sisters. The yellow fever mosquito, the only kind in America spreading this infection, scientifically called stegomyia, is very scarce. It is possible to live for weeks on the line of the canal without seeing a single specimen. This mosquito is a strictly domestic insect, never found away from man. It breeds only in artificial receptacles, such as barrels, water coolers, bottles and tin cans in and around human habitations.—Chicago News.

An Author's Trick.

One of the abler modern writers made this confession the other day: "I am so devoted to my wife that I allow her to break in upon me whenever she pleases. Naturally she cuts into my line of thought and often destroys the continuity of genius. The only way for me to do a good day's work is to quarrel with her, to make her so angry that she will cry, fuss, break a few dishes, smash a kitten, scald a puppy or two, then go to her room and stay there. By the time I have done a day's work she is in excellent humor and tired of being alone. Then we make up."—New York Press.

Great City For Prayer.

A visitor to Moscow soon discovers why it is called the Holy City. Every 200 or 300 feet there is a cathedral, church, chapel or shrine, and whichever way you look you see people crossing themselves. Until one has seen Moscow the piety of the place is not easily understood. The outsider cannot imagine Moscow conditions. He cannot imagine church bells ringing all the time and people praying in the public streets at all hours of day and night.

Cause of the Row.

Mrs. Popley — For goodness' sake! What's the matter with Tommy?

Mr. Popley (from the bathroom)—Oh, he wants the earth!

Mrs. Popley—Wants the earth?

Mr. Popley—Yes. At least that portion of it that I'm trying to wash off his hands and face.—Catholic Standard and Times.

Luck.

"Look as if you was feelin' pretty good today, James," said the first waiter.

"Yes, tiptop," replied the other.

"Some streak o' luck maybe?"

"Yes, tiptop tip."—Philadelphia Press

Anger resteth in the bosom of fools.—Bible.

THE CHEERFUL TURTLE.

This Queer Creature Enjoys Many Peculiar Advantages.

"To be or not to be—a turtle? To be certainly, if I could not be a man," declares one who speaks with knowledge of his subject. "Basking in tropical suns or cruising leisurely in cool depths, the turtle has an exceedingly good time. As soon as the baby turtle emerges from the egg he scuttles down to the sea. He has no one to teach him, no one to guide. In his little brain there is implanted a streak of caution, based on the fact that until a certain period his projecting armor is soft and no defense against hungry fish, and he immediately seeks shelter in the tropical profusion of the gulf weed, which holds within its branching fronds an astonishing abundance of marine life.

"Here the young turtle feeds unmolested and knows that his armor is hardening apace. Once he has attained the weight of twenty-five pounds he may 'cheek' freely any monster of the deep. After that no fish or mammal ever interferes with him. Intending devourers may struggle all day to break through his iron shell. They always fail.

"The turtle, like the sperm whale, has but one enemy—man. Now, even that sperm whale must come pretty frequently to the surface to breathe, and if it got beached high and dry on land what would become of it? But the cheerful turtle can stay below the surface for a week if he wants to, and he often does, while if he had to spend an equal time on land he would enjoy the change and be none the worse for it. He is neither fish, flesh nor fowl, yet his flesh partakes of the characteristics of all three.

"Eating seems a mere superfluity with him, since for weeks at a time he may be placed in a barrel, with the bung out, and emerge after his long fast apparently none the worse for his enforced abstinence from food, from light and almost from air. Of all the warm blooded organisms there is none so tenacious of life as the turtle. Injuries that would be instantly fatal even to fish leave the turtle apparently undisturbed, and his power of keeping death at bay is nothing short of marvelous."

A Mere Figure of Speech.

"I owe you everything," said the grateful duke.

"Yes," answered the American girl, "but you can't make your previous creditors see it that way."—Washington Star.

No Wonder.

She said she loved him with all her might.
No wonder he was elate.
For she was a widow in weeds bedight,
And a widow's mite is great.
—Catholic Standard and Times.

Persian Burials.

In Persia two sticks a foot long are placed in the coffin to prop up the arms of the corpse when it rises from the grave and is being questioned by the angel Gabriel. After it has satisfied the angel that it is the body of a true Mussulman it will receive strength to stand alone. A glance from a dog is necessary to drive away the spirit of defilement, and for this purpose a street cur is brought into the room of death and its eyes led to the corpse by a tempting bit of bread laid on the still breast.

Restlessness.

Mere restlessness is not a matter for which physicians are often consulted. It is on the face of it an unimportant malady, but when it exists in sufficient intensity to form the subject of complaint and to induce the sufferer to seek advice it is usually found to be the superficial indication of a grave underlying condition.—Hospital.

Change of Heart.

Parson Primrose—Why do you think it was out of place for your father to say grace? Freddie—Because it was only a few minutes afterward that he was swearing over having to carve the turkey.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Labor Saving Devices.

"Do you know, Sam, that a man does not have to do as much work now as he did ten years ago?"

"Yes, sah; I know it, sah. Why, I's been married nearly eight years, sah!"—Yonkers Statesman.

Pleasant.

Mistress—Now, remember, Bridget, the Joneses are coming for dinner. Cook—Leave it to me, mum. I'll do me worst! They'll never trouble yez again!—Illustrated Bits.

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The ultimate aim of the Bostonian Singers is to render excerpts from the famous light and grand operas, not the entire scenes, but only the bright spots that are so dear to the music loving world. The general public at the present time are not entertained with operatic works, as in the past, as the producers nowadays are bending their efforts to musical comedy productions. The beautiful old operas are very seldom seen and usually when they are produced, it is with a mediocre organization, as there is a great demand and profitable renumeration for singers of ability in the present musical comedies. For this reason, the Bostonian Singers have been organized to reproduce the excerpts from scenes from light and grand operas with the correct costumes and scenic effects.

This enables music lovers to hear the favorite selections and see them reproduced in the original form. This constitutes a unique line of entertainment, something out of the ordinary, and it is the intention of the Bostonian Singers to reproduce this work on a high plan of excellence. Therefore, unlimited time has been expended and money in forming the organization, perfecting it in its different parts and engaging the right class of soloists who can both act and sing, a combination which is very hard to bring out. In offering the attraction to the public, the Bostonian Singers feel that they are taking the pioneer steps and rendering operas in the De Luxe form. This attraction will appear soon at the Monessen Theatre.

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NOTICE.

Charleroi Savings & Trust Co.
Charleroi, Pa., January 1, 1909.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Charleroi Savings & Trust company, will be held at the office of the company, corner Fallowfield avenue and Fifth street, Charleroi, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 12 M., on Tuesday, January 12, 1909, for the election of eleven directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

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Clearance Sale Lasts until Monday, January 18th

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Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Louch left today for Washington, D. C. where they will spend a few days. Mrs. Louch will then continue on her way to Florida, while Mr. Louch will return to this place.

Miss Hattie Burke a former school teacher in this place, but now in Canonsburg was here over night on her way to Uniontown where she will attend the funeral of a cousin.

Bentleyville, Jan. 7.—At a meeting of the directors of the Bentleyville National bank a semi-annual dividend of two per cent was declared from the earnings of the past six months. This bank was opened May 1, 1906 and since that time has built up a substantial business. Recently the bank erected a new buff brick building which is a credit to the institution as well as the town.

At the meeting a surplus fund of $3,000 was set aside. Over and above this amount $1,400 of the earnings was left in the reserve. The bank has made rapid strides in the financial world since its organization and the stock has been advancing in price from the start. Recently some stock sold for $150 and now can be secured at that price.

TRESTLE WORK IS NEARING COMPLETION

The trestle work for the new coal mine at Pricedale is nearing completion, and in a couple of weeks the shipment of coal will begin. The mine is owned by the Zundel Coal company.

Extensive repairs are being made at Somers No. 2 mine, of the Pittsburg Coal company, and the mine will be ready to resume operations the latter part of this month.

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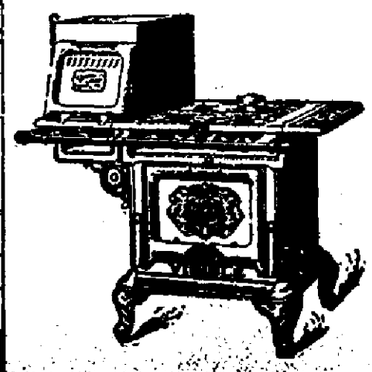

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WATER COMPANY OFFICIALS HERE TO MEET COUNCIL

Matters Pertaining to Settlement of Suits Discussed By Attorneys Officials and Members of Councilmanic Body.

A MEETING ON FRIDAY

City Fathers Will Have Attorneys Present To Make Outline of Agreement.

There were no startling developments at the meeting of the Charleroi Water company with the borough of Charleroi council last night but the way was paved for a possible reconciliation of the suits now on between the company and the borough and three representative citizens versus the company. Matters pertaining to the general service, the claims of each, and the question of a filteration system were fully discussed. The meeting occupied about two hours. Those present from the Water company were president T. S. Mellon, Harry Pollack general superintendent; Chief Engineer Chester, and their attorney Robert Irwin of Washington. All the councilmen were present except Mr. Pierson, who was out of town. D. M. McCloskey represented the council. Council will meet on Friday evening to prepare the agreements to be signed by the company. If the latter will not agree to the conditions therein it will mean the court trial.

One of the Water company's contentions was that the borough had been using water illegally in the flushing of the automatic flush tanks. They desired that there be a minimum rate for the borough. They also desired an extension of 9 or 10 years in the franchise, and more fire plugs installed.

Mr. McCloskey stated for the borough that there had been some mistake made in the matter of the flushing of the tanks in question, the company having conceived the wrong opinion of the amount of water that was used daily in this operation. He said that if the borough could secure pure water it would be easy to agree upon a minimum rate for this, as it would not take near as much. The company desired that Charleroi install a matter of some 25 or more fire plugs, and that North Charleroi have some new ones also. The latter will need but two and this borough but 10 or 12. The extension of the franchise was agreed upon provided all other matters could be satisfactorily arranged.

The real idea of the company is to raise their revenue in the borough and if they cannot do it with the private consumers, which is manifestly impossible, they then seek to have the town pay more for the use of the water. For this they are willing to install a filteration plant and all the necessaries which go with it at a cost of approximately $100,000.

The general idea of the borough is to secure good clean water and the proper service. This they must and will have. It will be absolutely necessary for the company to either erect a filteration plant, or fight the matter through court and very likely lose their franchise. The State Board of Health it is stated is empowered to take up these matters and secure good water for the people.

The matter of the "Gridiron system," by which a towns fire protection is largely judged was taken up at the suggestion of Councilman Frye. On account of the lack of this there is an excess charged the people of Charleroi on their insurance. Another matter which claimed considerable interest was that of the water gates which was brought up by President Jones. The company admitted that there were not as they should be. They are for the purpose of the shutting off of the water in a part of town without stopping the entire amount.

If the conditions should be accepted by the company and agreements signed, according to the chief engineers statement, it would require until next November for the starting of the plant. Mr. McCloskey asked if in the meantime the citizens would be compelled to pay the usual rates for the dirty, filthy stuff, that comes through the hydrants, and was told that they would. The matter will be decided later possibly.

Joseph Goddisart is transacting business today in Pittsburg.

Mrs. M. R. Stewart is spending the day in Pittsburg.

COLD WAVE HAS ARRIVED ALLRIGHT

Br-r-r-r! Get out your mittens and your tibbets, folks, for it's going to be colder than—well, colder than it was last night. Yep, it's going to be so cold that maybe the mercury will be kicking out the bottom of the thermometer tube, and that's goin' some. It started in last night, when the elusive mercury began to crawl down into the bulb, and at 9 o'clock the thermometer registered 14, with a prospect of getting to that point where it commences to number backward.

EPIDEMIC FEARED AT SCENERY HILL

Scenery Hill, Jan. 7.—The Fairbanks school, a short distance from this place, was closed today by order of the schoolboard of the township. The residents of this section and the school board fear a scourge of diphtheria as the 8-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Smith, developed a severe case of the dreaded disease this morning. The child has been ill for several days but attended school.

MAKING CANVASS FOR DIRECTORY

The Pittsburg Directory company of Monessen, of which F. M. French is the manager have begun the work of the making of an advertising and subscription directory. The work was begun this morning and a house to house canvass being made.

Four men are now at work in this place. Every resident is requested to give accurate and full information regarding all the members of their family and answer any questions readily that the representatives may ask. The work will be completed by the first of March it is thought.

A directory is being compiled on Monessen, Belle Vernon and Charleroi. The work in the former two towns has been completed and that of Charleroi is now being done.

MAKING SEARCH FOR YOUTH OF BENTLEYVILLE WHO DISAPPEARED

The strange disappearance of William Sheleritis, 13-year-old son of John Sheleritis, a Lithuanian miner of Bentleyville from his home on December 26, has caused a great deal of uneasiness to the boy's parents as a search has so far failed to reveal his whereabouts. Mr. Sheleritis has appealed to the officers in all of the nearby towns for aid and has offered a reward for information leading to the boy's discovery.

A few days before the boy's disappearance he confided to William Suler, a boy of his own age, that he intended to leave home and seek work with a farmer residing near Charleroi. A search at Charleroi revealed the fact that the boy had sought shelter in the police station one night. Since that time nothing has been heard of the lad.

When he left home he wore a red and blue sweater, blue over pants and a wool cap. He is of rather heavy build, has light hair, and speaks good English.

MONONGAHELA MAN PULLS OFF DISAPPEARANCE STUNT

Friends of Jens Clausen, superintendent of the Capell Fan and Engineering company, are very solicitous, owing to his disappearance, having been absent from his home in Monongahela since last Wednesday, December 23.

Clauser is described as being 24 years of age, 5 feet 10 inches in height, weight about 154 pounds and light complexion. When he left he wore a black suit, black overcoat and black stiff hat. He also wore nose glasses.

When he left he took with him a number of tools and his friends believe he will be found in some steel works. He is a mechanical engineer by occupation, and was rated as a very skillful mechanic.

Mr. Clausen with his wife and two children came to Monongahela from McKeesport about three months ago, their home having formerly been in Harrisburg.

Relatives fear his mind is temporarily deranged, as his speech and actions before leaving would indicate. Any information as to his whereabouts will be gladly recieved. His brother is here from Harrisburg assisting in the search for the missing man.

ATTACK IS MADE ON PITTSBURG EDITOR

A Charleroi man, "Mike" Johns, 37 years of age is charged with the assaulting of Carlo Tresca, editor of the La Plebe the Italian Socialist paper at Pittsburg yesterday afternoon. The man was arrested. He had on his person $3 in money, a penknife and a silver watch. The editor was walking along Webster avenue, when it is stated that Johns stepped up beside him and slashed him with a razor. Johns then ran Tresca screamed "I'm cut," and a policeman appeared. He caught Johns. No cause is known for the attack. Tresca is badly injured but will live.

M'KEESPORT TEAM DEFEATS COLONIALS

The E. L. Winkelman duck pin team of McKeesport defeated the Colonial team in a match game on the Colonial alleys last night. J. Jones had high score with 109 and Freeman high average with 94 2-3. Score:

Winkleman.			
Freeman	96	102	86
Devans	92	78	81
Murphy	87	84	92
Myers	86	97	87
Osborne	86	93	94
	447	452	440
Colonials.			
Davis	92	65	85
Briggs	86	95	90
Irose	91	80	
J. Jones	81	84	109
Kelly	75		
Wolfe		77	
Jack			73
McHale			89
	423	421	446

Douglas Extends Time

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Call for further information or write to the Douglas Business College, Charleroi, Pa. 125t1

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church will hold a box social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Wilson, 311 Fallowfield avenue on Friday evening. All the latter are invited to bring a box filled with luncheon for [illegible]

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS BY SOCIETY

Last evening's meeting of Branch No. 782 of the L. C. B. A. was a memorable one to the members, who attended in large numbers. After the regular order of business and installation of officers all present proceeded to have a jolly time. Vocal and instrumental music and dancing were the diversions.

The committee in charge of the lunch deserves great credit, not only for its sumptuousness, but also for the able manner in which it was served.

The ladies again sprung an agreeable surprise on their president, Miss Annie M. Sullivan, by presenting her with a most beautiful sterling silver dresser set.

The presentation was made by Mrs. John Mains, and Miss Sullivan thanked the ladies for their kind appreciation.

This society, which is composed exclusively of Catholic women, ranks among the largest in the valley. They expect to attain a membership of two hundred by the end of this year.

A contest has been started for members, with Mrs. P. Connelly and Mrs. C. Finkbeiner as leaders.

North Charleroi Council in Session

Council met in regular session. President Watson in chair. Members present were, Woodward, Gaskill, Watson, Schaffer, E. Crabb, Jacobs and C. Crabb. Bills amounting to $167.78 were ordered paid.

The resignation of W. J. Dunham as secretary of the Board of Health was tendered, but action was withheld pending a joint committee meeting [illegible] Health.

The street committee was authorized to locate a fire plug on Highland avenue.

Mrs. Mary Carroll of McKeesport, and daughter, Mrs. James Collins of Omaha, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Carroll's sister, Mrs. John Shea of Chestnut [illegible]

MONONGAHELA CITIZENS RETAIN AN ATTORNEY

Will Enter into Litigation in Course of Week or So With the Monongahela Water Company---Have Strong Claims.

SIMILAR TO CHARLEROI

Case Possesses Many of the Features of the Local Affair.

A case bearing some of the same features as that in Charleroi is that of Monongahela citizens who are up in arms against the water company of that place. Last evening a meeting of citizens were held in that place and an attorney was retained for the purpose of bringing suit and preparing a case against the company. The claims of the people are that they are not getting what they are paying for in the way of water, and are having very poor service. The water is in the same condition of that Charleroi people are compelled to use.

Soon after the explosion at the water works at Monongahela a committee of five citizens was appointed to see what could be done to secure better water and this is the result.

Mr. T. F. Birch of Washington was the attorney retained. A communication was read from him, in which he stated that he had reviewed the evidence on the side of Monongahela and that they were justified in entering into litigation. It is probable that in the course of a week there will be something done in this matter.

HAVE FINISHED UP WORK HERE

A. C. Griffiths and assistants have just finished one of the most unique and inexpensive advertising mediums, in the form of Business Men's and Telephone Directory, that Charleroi has seen for some time. The card is very neaty arranged with hand painted floral designs and is very ornamental as well as useful to Telephone subscribers. Business men should take notice of this for their spring and summer advertising. He expects to place the same in Monongahela, Monessen, Brownsville and Donora.

CAROTHERS BACK FROM HARRISBURG

Assemblyman C. E. Carothers is home from Harrisburg, where he and C. A. Bentley and J. B. Holland assumed their duties as members of the lower house of the legislature Tuesday.

Mr. Carothers stated that the election of Jchen F. Cox as speaker of the house was accomplished with the greatest harmony and good feeling prevailing, the opposition of which certain newspapers talked not materializing. Many members who had been credited with being against Assemblyman Cox for presiding officer declared that they had never had any intention of opposing the action of the party caucus.

SILVER DOLLARS ARE GIVEN AWAY

Mr. Robert Bickerton of 716 Meadow avenue, was the lucky person on December 30th drawing the three silver dollars at the unveiling of the clock in Louis Beigel's shoe store window on McKean avenue.

The clock stopped at 1-2-29. Mr. Bickerton holding time card 12-34-41, the nearest present.

Last night at the unveiling of the clock it showed that it stopped at 12-59-48. Mrs. Chas. Coller of Lookout avenue held time card 12-34-59 the nearest present and therefore received the cash prize of $5.00.

The next unveiling of clock takes place on Wednesday next, January 11th, at 7:30 p. m. sharp. Be on hand as you may be the lucky one. All time cards are good until January 20th when it closes with a $5.00 gift, $3.00 to nearest and $2.00 the next nearest.

ECHO OF FAYETTE CITY FIRE IN COURT

The Fayette City fire played a prominent part in one case tried at December term and an echo was heard in the Fayette county court at Uniontown when Attorney D. W. McDonald made a motion that John D. Lindy of Fayette city be relieved of the payment of half the loss which a jury directed that he pay in the case he brought against John Brezzon charged with selling liquor. The costs amount to $101 and the matter is now up to the court for disposition.

COAL DEAL IN GREENE CLOSED

Waynesburg, Jan. 7.—A coal deal has been closed whereby J. V. Thompson, of Uniontown, came into possession of 301 acres of coal situated on Muddy Creek, Cumberland township. The price paid was $300 per acre.

The deal includes the coal underlying the farm of W. K. Scott which contains 160 acres and the farm of R. L. Scott which contains 141 acres. The deal was made by Columbus Scott, of East Waynesburg.

The farms lie on the road leading from Waynesburg to Carmichaels, a short distance above Khedive.

Notice of Meeting.

Regular meeting tonight, Court No. 41, Tribe of Ben Hur. Installation of officers. State Manager T. H. Russell is expected to be present. Short program. All members are urged to attend. The officers-elect are especially desired to be present. 125t1

Will Hold Box Social.

The Ladies Aid society of the Methodist church are arranging for a box social to be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Wilson of 311 Fallowfield avenue on Friday evening. A good time is anticipated for all those who attend.

Mrs. L. Beigel is in Pittsburg today visiting friends.

J. K. Toner, Pres. S. A. Walton, Vice Pres. R. H. Rush, Cashier.

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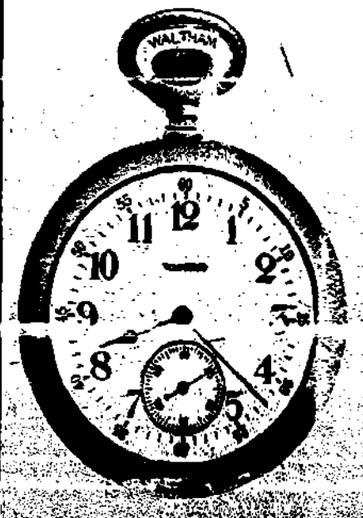

New Year Opportunities

We prepared for Christmas buying very liberally. Our sales were very large, but we find ourselves with a large stock of Ladies' Watches and Silver Mounted Toilet Articles. The watches are good works in handsome cases; the toilet articles would grace any woman's dressing table. But we have put very inviting prices on them all—prices that should invite your immediate attention and will secure your approval the moment you look at the articles and note the new prices.

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Local Agencies

Geo. S. Wright.....Charleroi
Clyde Collins.....Speers
M. Dooley.....Dunlevy
J. A. Mason.....Lock No. 4, Pa.

Jan. 7 In History.

1718—General Israel Putnam born in Danvers, Mass.; died 1790. Putnam won laurels as a gallant soldier before he became "Old Put" of the Revolutionists. After ten years of service, filled with adventure, he returned home with the rank of colonel. He joined the "Sons of Liberty" in Connecticut and was among the first to march against the invaders. Connecticut gave him command of all her forces.

1768—Joseph Bonaparte, eldest brother of Napoleon, king of Naples and Spain, born; died 1844.

1892—Tewfik Pasha, khedive of Egypt, died; born 1852.

1902—Baron Jean de Bloch, author of "The War of the Future," the book which led to the peace congress of 1899, died; born 1843.

ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS.

Sun sets 4:45, rises 7:20; moon rises 5:52 p. m.; 5 p. m., planet Uranus in conjunction with the sun, passing from east to west and thus changing from evening to morning star.

Compromise?

The borough of Charleroi while willing to settle the differences between them, and the Water company are not overly anxious, and have no reason to be. The officials of the company see plainly that they are "up against it," and are putting up a stupendous bluff, in an effort to secure "rights." They are willing to install a filteration plant because they know they will have to sooner or later, if they so do the State Board of Health will get after them. The officials who were here last night were made to back down on many of their statements by Solicitor McCloskey, and the laugh was on them time and time again. The company stood for custom, and reiterated that they were merely following the precedent set by other similar bodies, evidently in their efforts forgetting the old axiom that "many wrongs does not make a right." If other companies have done the things that the Charleroi Water company is charged with doing and refused the doing of a similar number of things, then there is little doubt but that they are either out of business or fighting battles with their consumers, which will end in the same thing.

It is the desire of the company to have the franchise extended 9 or 10 years. That is allright, but we must absolutely have good service during that period, and the filteration plant must be in good working order. It was stated that it would take until next November to get the plant in readiness for operation. During that time will the people have to pay the usual rates for the dirty stuff? We hope not, for it is an injustice to even ask them. If we are not mistaken the State Board of Health would have something to say in this case also.

While it is stated that the company and the borough will likely compromise at the next meeting, there are some doubts of it for they are still far apart, themselves probably not realizing how far. There are a number of things that have not been touched on yet and if satisfactory arrangements can be made on these then it is possible for a compromise to be effected but not until that time.

National Forests Returns to States.

During the last fiscal year ending June 30, the United States Forest Service issued to settlers in the neighborhood of National Forest in western states over 30,000 "free use" permits, under which the settlers receives free about 264,000 cords of fire wood, posts, poles and sawlogs, worth $169,320, or about 64 cents per cord in the forest—a low valuation.

Besides this, the different states received for school and road purposes 25 per cent of the income from the National Forests amounting last year to $447,064. The direct return to the states in lieu of taxes on the 177 million acres, the estimated area of unpatented land in the National Forests, amounted then in the last year to $616,384 in cash and "free use" timber.

In 1907, the total of "free use" material and money paid over amounted to about $253,400. The increase of the amount given to the state from 10 per cent to 25 per cent of course is largely responsible for the large returns in 1908, but even had this percentage not been changed a good increase would have been shown, despite the demoralization of the lumber business caused by the financial flurry. In fact, this increase may be looked for up to many times the present amount as the demand for timber increases and the forests are developed more and more.

Electric Sparks

Arxious investigation in the vicinity of Lincoln, Neb., fails to disclose that William Jennings Bryan has sworn off from anything.

Congress has power to change the date of its meeting and a bill pends making the date March 4 next. It has also been discovered that an old law so provided and three Congresses so met after 1867.

In China, also, it is noted that military commanders must be in fine physical conditions and wholly free from rheumatism— especially if they are innovating enough to make offensive agitation for reform.

William Randolph Hearst is the champion political acrobat of the age.

After all, perhaps we have made some progress in righteousness. Those six honest councilmen out of 80 crooks in Pittsburg would have made work comparatively easy for Diogenes, who was so long looking for even one honest man.

It is announced that Messina and Reggio will be rebuilt, but the work of upbuilding will possibly be delayed until the down-falling has ceased.

A Rivers and Harbors bill at this session of Congress is in doubt, but it must come in the next. The question is one which gathers momentum as it goes.

Greensburg has inaugurated a suburban movement with a view of getting its 18,000 population united in a city. The importance of getting proper credit in the census report is beginning to be better understood.

The fellow who lives in an attic isn't the one who complains of high living.

Many a girl says she doesn't know how to take a fellow even before he asks her.

The fact that virtue is its own reward is what makes some people good for nothing.

When a fellow with a peppery temper is assaulted he ought to be pretty well seasoned.

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?"

"I'm going to sneeze, kind sir," she said.

"Tell me what at, my pretty maid."

"[illegible]" was all she said.

We know a few men who, were they to divide three mouthfuls of food between a fellow sufferer and themselves, would eat one first for fear the division would not come out even.

Theodore Burton, of Ohio, is scheduled to learn that the time to accept a cabinet portfolio is when it is offered to him.

The best way to destroy the enemies of the Panama Canal's digging progress is to "keep on with the digging."

The United States soldier who retired with savings amounting to over $13,000 from his pay should write a book. His advice on him to put aside a competence out of a small income would be eminently practical.

Another precedent is going to be shattered. No president-elect of the United States has ever made a trip to Panama.

The much heralded cold wave is here. We don't know much about the wave part but we certainly realize that it is rather cold.

The World Almanac and Encyclopedia for 1909 is without exception the handiest and most comprehensive ready-reference guide to facts one wants to know that has ever been printed. No merchant, farmer, business man, housewife, schoolboy or girl should be without a copy. By mail 35c. Address World, New York City.

For health and happiness—DeWitt's Little Early Risers—pleasant little liver pills, the best made. Sold by Piper Bros. eod

[illegible] from "Married for Money" at the Coyle Theatre soon.

Kodol for Dyspepsia and Indigestion will digest any and all food at any and all times. Kodol is guaranteed to give prompt relief. Sold by Piper Bros. eod

Good for cuts, burns, bruises and scratches, but especially recommended for piles—DeWitt's Carbonized Witch Hazel Salve. Sold by Piper Bros. eod

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Special Sale
Evening Slippers

The many social functions of the holidays have created an unusual demand for Fine Evening Slippers.

WE MAKE TWO SPECIAL OFFERINGS FOR THIS WEEK

A SPECIAL LOT of fine Calf, Kid, Satin and Suede Slippers in Pink, Blue, Yellow, Black and White, at

One hundred styles in this lot for you to select from

$1.50, 2.50, 3.00 and 3.50

Each worth $1.00 a pair more.

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A Special Mixed Lot, containing most all sizes. These are Pink, Blue, White, Green, Old Rose, Lavender and are surely a great bargain, and you simply must have them

For The Theatre, Reception, Party or Dance

Sample Shoe Store

Unusual Reductions

All our stock of Ladies' and Misses' suits will be sold at prices that will astonish you.

New styles, new materials, including broadcloths, cheviots, worsteds, etc. They are all this season's goods and guaranteed right in every way.

Furs—we have a big money saving proposition to offer you in Ladies' and Misses' furs.

This sale will be on all this week; come early and get first choice.

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THE BIG STORE
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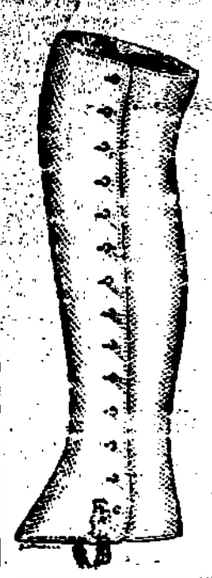

52 dozen of Ladies', Misses' and Children's 14 button black jersey leggins---the kind you pay 75c to $1.00. Special today and tomorrow. Just like cut

19 cents a Pair

SPECIAL—Children's Slippers in red, brown and black. Sizes 8, 11, 12 to 2. Price..... **29c**

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SPECIAL—Men's Rubbers—first quality. Regular 75c and 85c Rubbers. Our special **49c**

Men's Heavy Calf Shoes. Regular $1.50 to $2.00 shoes. Our special **95c a Pair**

Misses' Vici Kid and Dull Finish—button or lace. Regular $1.50 shoe. Our special **95c**

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Ladies' $1.50 to $2 in plain toe and patent tips. All sizes **95c a Pair**

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THE INNOCENT FOX

Blamed For Offenses Committed by His Wicked Cousins.

We are often told of the fox as a destroyer of grouse, but I should like to hear the story of some eyewitnesses [illegible]. It is very easy to find fox tracks about the remains of a bird and then say a fox did it. I believe that many of the offenses laid at his door are committed by weasels, mink and wildcats, or lynx.

During a part of the year I have known foxes to spend a part of each day digging among potato hills in a retired hollow for white grubs or mice in the adjoining fields and to return to the mountain at nightfall, passing a farm which was almost covered with young poultry out for grasshoppers. From an experience of about ten years in a locality where foxes abound I am convinced that this animal destroys but few, if any, chickens. Our trouble there was, first of all, hawks, then skunks, owls and raccoons. The fox never invaded the chicken coops or broke up the sitting turkeys out at the base of the mountain. Of course in winter a fox may sometimes trap a grouse in the snow at night, but who has ever seen a fox actually catch a grouse? Come, now, brothers of the forest, be honest and own up. I would be glad to learn how the fox does the trick, if any one has seen it done.—Forest and Stream.

THE PERSONAL EQUATION.

It Plays a Very Large Part In Success In Business.

If you stop for a moment to analyze success in business you will see it comes through contact with people. It is all hinged upon the manner of your contact. On every side you are surrounded by a multitude of persons, in every one of whom there exists a potential force that may be exerted, at one time or another, to add to your success. The oftener you cause that force to be exerted the faster your business will grow. You can attract these individual forces if you choose and get the most from them, or you can repel them and suffer actual damage from having come in contact with them, or you may take a middle course, as many business men do, and drift along in a purely negative manner.

Looking at business in this light, it is apparent that the underlying element which contributes most to the success of any undertaking and to business in the aggregate is the art of finding the vital points of human contact that will set in motion these forces. The personal element must be stamped upon your business.—Edward Payson Hatch in System.

Panama Mosquitoes.

A visitor to the canal zone of Panama can have the privilege of an introduction to not less than eighty-three species of mosquitoes, thirty of them found nowhere else. Fortunately they do not all bite, and the contagion of yellow fever is carried by only one of them. Certain genera, technically called megarhinus, psorophora and lutzia, are found, which instead of spreading any disease hostile to men wage war on their weaker cousins and at times even on their brothers and sisters. The yellow fever mosquito, the only kind in America spreading this infection, scientifically called stegomyia, is very scarce. It is possible to live for weeks on the line of the canal without seeing a single specimen. This mosquito is a strictly domestic insect never found away from man. It breeds only in artificial receptacles, such as barrels, water coolers, bottles and tin cans in and around human habitations.—Chicago News.

An Author's Trick.

One of the abler modern writers made this confession the other day: "I am so devoted to my wife that I allow her to break in upon me whenever she pleases. Naturally she cuts into my line of thought and often destroys the continuity of genius. The only way for me to do a good day's work is to quarrel with her, to make her so angry that she will cry, fuss, break a few dishes, smash a kitten, scald a puppy or two, then go to her room and stay there. By the time I have done a day's work she is in excellent humor and tired of being alone. Then we make up."—New York Press.

Great City For Prayer.

A visitor to Moscow soon discovers why it is called the Holy City. Every 200 or 300 feet there is a cathedral, church, chapel or shrine, and whichever way you look you see people crossing themselves. Until one has seen Moscow the piety of the place is not easily understood. The outsider cannot imagine Moscow conditions. He cannot imagine church bells ringing all the time and people praying in the public streets at all hours of day and night.

Cause of the Row.

Mrs. Popley — For goodness' sake! What's the matter with Tommy?

Mr. Popley (from the bathroom)—Oh, he wants the earth!

Mrs. Popley—Wants the earth?

Mr. Popley—Yes. At least that portion of it that I'm trying to wash off his hands and face.—Catholic Standard and Times.

Luck.

"Look as if you was feelin' pretty [illegible]."

"Yes, tiptop," replied the other.

"Some streak o' luck maybe?"

"Yes, tiptop tip."—Philadelphia Press.

Anger resteth in the bosom of fools.

THE CHEERFUL TURTLE

This Queer Creature Enjoys Many Peculiar Advantages.

"To be or not to be—a turtle? To be certainly, if I could not be a man," declares one who speaks with knowledge of his subject. "Basking in tropical [illegible] depths, the turtle has an exceedingly good time. As soon as the baby turtle emerges from the egg he scuttles down to the sea. He has no one to teach him, no one to guide. In his little brain there is implanted a streak of caution, based on the fact that until a certain period his projecting armor is soft and no defense against hungry fish, and he immediately seeks shelter in the tropical profusion of the gulf weed, which holds within its branching fronds an astonishing abundance of marine life.

"Here the young turtle feeds unmolested and knows that his armor is hardening apace. Once he has attained the weight of twenty-five pounds he may 'cheek' freely any monster of the deep. After that no fish or mammal ever interferes with him. Intending devourers may struggle all day to break through his iron shell. They always fail.

"The turtle, like the sperm whale, has but one enemy—man. Now, even that sperm whale must come pretty frequently to the surface to breathe, and if it got beached high and dry on land what would become of it? But the cheerful turtle can stay below the surface for a week if he wants to, and he often does, while if he had to spend an equal time on land he would enjoy the change and be none the worse for it. He is neither fish, flesh nor fowl, yet his flesh partakes of the characteristics of all three.

"Eating seems a mere superfluity with him, since for weeks at a time he may be placed in a barrel, with the bung out, and emerge after his long fast apparently none the worse for his enforced abstinence from food, from light and almost from air. Of all the warm blooded organisms there is none so tenacious of life as the turtle. Injuries that would be instantly fatal even to fish leave the turtle apparently undisturbed, and his power of keeping death at bay is nothing short of marvelous."

A Mere Figure of Speech.

"I owe you everything," said the grateful duke.

"Yes," answered the American girl, "but you can't make your previous creditors see it that way."—Washington Star.

No Wonder.

She said she loved him with all her might.
No wonder he was elate.
For she was a widow in weeds bedight,
And a widow's mite is great.
—Catholic Standard and Times.

Persian Burials.

In Persia two sticks a foot long are placed in the coffin to prop up the arms of the corpse when it rises from the grave and is being questioned by the angel Gabriel. After it has satisfied the angel that it is the body of a true Mussulman it will receive strength to stand alone. A glance from a dog is necessary to drive away the spirit of defilement, and for this purpose a street cur is brought into the room of death and its eyes led to the corpse by a tempting bit of bread laid on the still breast.

Restlessness.

Mere restlessness is not a matter for which physicians are often consulted. It is on the face of it an unimportant malady, but when it exists in sufficient intensity to form the subject of complaint and to induce the sufferer to seek advice it is usually found to be the superficial indication of a grave underlying condition.—Hospital.

Change of Heart.

Parson Primrose—Why do you think it was out of place for your father to say grace? Freddie—Because it was only a few minutes afterward that he was swearing over having to carve the turkey.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

Labor Saving Devices.

"Do you know, Sam, that a man does not have to do as much work now as he did ten years ago?"

"Yes, sah; I know it, sah. Why, I's been married nearly eight years, sah!"—Yonkers Statesman.

Pleasant.

Mistress—Now, remember, Bridget, the Joneses are coming for dinner. Cook—Leave it to me, mum. I'll do me worst! They'll never trouble yez again!—Illustrated Bits.

I Wish to Announce

I have taken charge of the Charleroi Barber Shop. Everything remodeled and up-to-date. Your patronage solicited. Remember the place, rear Charleroi Hotel Office.

Respectfully Yours
GUY NEFF

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The ultimate aim of the Bostonian Singers is to render excerpts from the famous light and grand operas, not the entire scenes, but only the bright spots that are so dear to the music loving world. The general public at [illegible] with operatic works, as in the past, as the producers nowadays are bending their efforts to musical comedy productions. The beautiful old operas are very seldom seen and usually when they are produced, it is with a mediocre organization, as there is a great demand and profitable renumeration for singers of ability in the present musical comedies. For this reason, the Bostonian Singers have been organized to reproduce the excerpts from scenes from light and grand operas with the correct costumes and scenic effects.

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NOTICE.

Charleroi Savings & Trust Co.
Charleroi, Pa., January 1, 1909.

ELECTION—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Charleroi Savings & Trust company, will be held at the office of the company, corner Fallowfield avenue and Fifth street, Charleroi, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 12 M., on Tuesday, January 12, 1909, for the election of eleven directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before the meeting.

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Personal Mention

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Louch left today for Washington, D. C. where they will spend a few days. Mrs. Louch will then continue on her way to Florida, while Mr. Louch will return to this place.

Miss Hattie Burke a former school teacher in this place, but now in Canonsburg was here over night on her way to Uniontown where she will attend the funeral of a cousin.

Bentleyville, Jan. 7.—At a meeting of the directors of the Bentleyville National bank a semi-annual dividend of two per cent was declared from the earnings of the past six months. This bank was opened May 1, 1906 and since that time has built up a substantial business. Recently the bank erected a new buff brick building which is a credit to the institution as well as the town.

At the meeting a surplus fund of $3,000 was set aside. Over and above this amount $1,400 of the earnings was left in the reserve. The bank has made rapid strides in the financial world since its organization and the stock has been advancing in price from the start. Recently some stock sold for $150 and now can be secured at that price.

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The trestle work for the new coal mine at Pricedale is nearing completion, and in a couple of weeks the shipment of coal will begin. The mine is owned by the Zundel Coal company.

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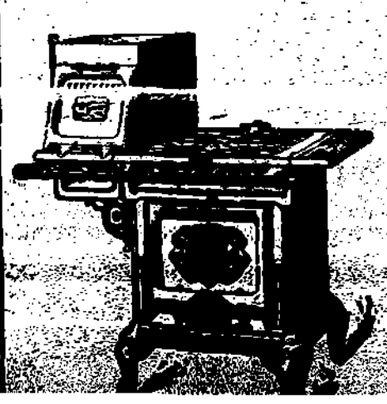

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